

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Arbogast et al. Confirmation No. 6754
Serial No.: 10/661,032
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Examiner: Jones, D.
Group Art Unit: 1618
For: MULTIVALENT CONSTRUCTS FOR THERAPEUTIC AND
DIAGNOSTIC APPLICATIONS

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Applicants submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") and Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") in connection with the above-mentioned application.

Applicants acknowledge that a Notice of Allowance in the present application was mailed on May 25, 2006. However, Applicants hereby request to withdraw the application from issue under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(a) by filing the enclosed Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") and re-open prosecution to consider the references cited in the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS"). Applicants note that under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(a) a petition is not required since an RCE is being filed prior to the payment of the issue fee.

No additional fee(s) are believed to be due. However, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment in connection with the filing of this Notice to Deposit Account No. 50-0540.

Dated: August 21, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

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